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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6992**

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"AN ACT PROTECTING THE INTERESTS OF CONSUMERS DOING BUSINESS WITH FINANCIAL PLANNERS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For purposes of this 4 section and section 2 of this act, (1) "fiduciary duty" means a duty to 5 act with prudence in the best interests of a consumer with undivided 6 loyalty to such consumer, and (2) "financial planner" means a person 7 offering individualized financial planning or investment advice to a 8 consumer for compensation where such activity is not otherwise 9 regulated by state or federal law.
- 10 (b) No financial planner shall, in connection with an agreement with a consumer to provide financial planning or investment advice for compensation, use a certificate, professional designation or form of advertising expressing or implying that such person has special

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training, education or experience in advising or serving senior citizens, unless such person has obtained a certificate, title or designation as described in section 36b-4 of the general statutes.

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- (c) A financial planner shall disclose to a consumer, upon request, whether or not such financial planner has a fiduciary duty to such consumer for each recommendation such financial planner makes to such consumer.
- 21 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) To the extent practicable, the 22 Banking Commissioner shall provide on the department's Internet web 23 site links to educational materials on (1) financial planning and other 24 designations, including associated prerequisites, and (2) information 25 on requirements for investment advisers pursuant to chapter 672a of 26 the general statutes. The Banking Commissioner shall also include on 27 the department's Internet web site information concerning a 28 consumer's right to ask for disclosure from financial planners or other 29 financial planning professionals about fees and compensation as 30 required under applicable state and federal law.
 - (b) The Department of Banking shall share the information provided on the department's Internet web site pursuant to subsection (a) of this section with the Department of Consumer Protection. The Department of Consumer Protection shall provide such shared information on its own department's Internet web site."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
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Section 1	from passage	New section
Sec. 2	from passage	New section

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